

W. J. Fleisher Resigns Presidency of His Successful Organization: The Fleisher Petroleum Company



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W. J. Fleisher, prominent operator of Tulsa, Okla., and Lexington, Ky., who recently resigned his presidency and the active management of the Fleisher Petroleum company in order to devote more time and attention to his vast personal oil interests in the various pools of Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming and Kentucky.

Mr. Fleisher, who is well and favorably known in every field where oil is produced, having been actively engaged in the business of producing oil the past 12 years, organized the Fleisher Petroleum company four years ago, his associates being a group of friends, Kentucky business men.

Under his practical, capable management, the leases and production of the Fleisher Petroleum company in Oklahoma alone, have grown until they are now valued at something over two million dollars. Mr. Fleisher still retains his position on the board of directors, and is one of the largest stockholders in the company, but will devote his energies to developing his personal properties in the Osage and Turkey Mountain fields of Oklahoma and in the Texas, Wyoming and Kentucky fields.

W. J. Fleisher, or "Bill" Fleisher, as he is known to his host of friends in the oil fraternity, was born in Ellenboro, W. Va., and early got into the oil game in the St. Mary's field in West Virginia, where he gained a first-hand knowledge that has been invaluable to him first as a tool dresser and then for several years as an experienced driller. For

14 years he was a drilling contractor, during which time he gained a practical experience in all branches of the industry that can be duplicated in no other way.

Going west Mr. Fleisher became associated with Col. A. E. Humphrey, of Mexico fame, where in 1918 he helped drill the first three wells in the Big Muddy field in Wyoming. From Wyoming Mr. Fleisher went to old Mexico where he had the hard luck of drilling a dry hole near the famous Casino which produced 87,000,000 barrels of crude, and was also present, February, 1915, at the bringing in of the great Cerro Azul "gusher" which is reported to have flowed 250,000 barrels per day.

Returning from Mexico, Mr. Fleisher paid a visit to Lexington, Ky., where he became associated with the Hochstetler and Forman interests, holding a large personal interest in oil properties rated at more than ten million dollars. In the fall of 1918 he left his multi-millionaire partners and organized an operating company of his own, the Fleisher Petroleum company.

His associates being eastern business men, knew nothing of the oil business and were indeed fortunate in having an experienced oil man and splendid executive such as Mr. Fleisher to manage the affairs of the new organization. Deciding to operate in Oklahoma Mr. Fleisher came to Tulsa four years ago and opening offices in the Kennedy building here, installed an office

force and began purchasing heavily looking acreage in the Osage.

"We got in with the big boys the first jump," said Mr. Fleisher recently when reminiscing. "I paid \$175,000 for our first lease in the Osage, but it has proved the value of our investment from the start. Our leases at Hominy are the most educational in the Osage, since the first producer to be brought in put 2,000 barrels into the tanks the first day and was the big sensation of last March, which well is now producing 300 barrels per day.

Mr. Fleisher is opening private offices on the eighth floor of the Kennedy building, where he can direct his own fast growing operations, and also keep in touch with his Fleisher Petroleum company on the floor below. The best wishes of the oil fraternity go with him in his latest venture in operating independently, and are awaiting with confidence his ultimate splendid success.

A Slice of Country Life.
She ran away from him.
Naturally, for
He had an ax
in his hand.
Finally he caught her.
And with a
Vicious swing
off went her
Head.
Horrible?
Not at all.
She was his
Poorest layer.
And he must
Eat.

—Bill Netch.

A new mechanical hoist for motor truck bodies does its work in two distinct operations, distributing the lifting strain better and raising the body to a higher angle.

TRY TO BLOW UP MOTHER-IN-LAW

Frenchman Puts Powder in Kitchen Stove, but He Lands in Jail

PARIS—Nobody loves a mother-in-law.

Monsieur Thomas, a Parisian, who has mother-in-law troubles all his own, thought his star of hope had dawned when he began reading about the frequent explosions of stoves burning anthracite coal.

Bright and early one morning he descended to the kitchen and poured a bag of gunpowder into the range before the good old lady had a chance to start the fire for morning coffee. But unfortunately M. Thomas's knowledge of chemistry is very limited. The loose powder produced nothing more than a few hisses and a spluttering blue flame, which aroused the suspicions of mother-in-law.

She immediately set about tracing his hand in the affair, and her son-in-law found himself summoned before the police, where he is now under arrest for his practical joke. His wife is heaping more coals upon his head by using the powder incident as grounds for divorce.

Cheeky Touch.

"Lend me 15, will you old man?"
"Can't do it. I was just going over to Brown's to borrow a five from him."
"Make it 10, and I'll take half of it."
—Waterbury Republican.

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